

**MINUTES OF THE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT**

Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – 4:00 p.m. – Room 450 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Speaker Gregory H. Hughes  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
Sen. Ralph Okerlund  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. James A. Dunnigan  
Rep. Brian S. King

**Members Absent:**

President Wayne L. Niederhauser

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Bryant R. Howe, Deputy Director  
Mr. Eric N. Weeks, Deputy General Counsel  
Ms. Denise L. Udy, Administrative Assistant

**Note:** A list of other present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

**1. Subcommittee Business**

Speaker Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dunnigan moved to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2015, meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Okerlund and Rep. Chavez-Houck absent for the vote.

**2. Annual Performance Review**

Mr. Darin Underwood, Deputy Auditor General, Office of the Legislative Auditor General, presented in the place of Mr. John Schaff, Legislative Auditor General, who was unable to attend. Mr. Underwood gave a presentation on the number of audits the office completes. He also noted that the rate of implementation for audit recommendations made by his office is in the mid to upper 90<sup>th</sup> percentile and that the rate is high because his staff works closely with each agency they audit.

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, discussed "LFA Performance Review." He discussed the goals and objectives of his office and reviewed statistics for on target revenue estimates, correct appropriations bills, unrevised fiscal notes, and timely fiscal notes. Mr. Ball also reviewed accomplishments and awards his office attained during the 2015 interim and the 2016 General Session.

Mr. John Fellows, General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, reviewed the various legal services the office provides to the Legislature. Mr. Fellows discussed internal reorganizations in the office that has allowed him to provide more services to legislators. He also reviewed litigation services performed by the office during the 2015 interim and the 2016 General Session.

Mr. Michael Christensen, Director, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, explained that his office conducts a bi-annual survey of legislators to receive feedback on the various services the office provides. Mr. Christensen discussed "Survey of Legislator Satisfaction with the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel." He reviewed the survey results concerning session services, interim services, and administrative services provided by his office. Mr. Christensen addressed the area of timeliness in providing bills and research requested by legislators.

**3. Consideration of Compensation Adjustments**

**MOTION:** Rep. Dunnigan moved that the hourly rate of pay for the Director of the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, the Legislative Auditor General, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, and the Legislative General Counsel be increased by 2%, effective for the pay period beginning on June 18, 2016. This increase is consistent with the funding for a salary increase provided by the legislature in 2016 General Session S.B. 8, "State Agency and Higher Education Compensation Appropriations." The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Other Business**

No other business was discussed.

**5. Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Speaker Hughes adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.